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SEVERE WEATHER/FLOODING SITUATION REPORT # 9 1300 Hours 6 July 2006

New Information in Bold Italics

SUMMARY

The combination of tropical moisture steered northward around a low pressure system near Florida and a stationary frontal boundary across the Mid-Atlantic and New England States led to substantial rainfall and flooding across portions of the Commonwealth beginning 23 June and successive severe weather systems have continued to impact the Commonwealth.

EXECUTIVE ACTION

EOC Activation:

The Virginia Emergency Operations Center is at Response Operations, monitoring weather and river flow reports, assessing totality of the event's impact across the Commonwealth, producing Situation Reports and coordinating response and recovery efforts with local governments. State agencies are requested to submit their Damage Assessments to the VEOC by close of business 6 July.

State of Emergency:

Governor Timothy M. Kaine declared a Statewide Emergency on June 28, 2006 directing State Agencies to take all necessary actions to aid in the recovery from flooding, mudslides and potential tornadoes that have affected the Commonwealth since June 23, 2006. Governor Kaine requested a Presidential Declaration 30 June for the counties of Alleghany, Arlington, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Dickenson, Fairfax, Highland, King George, Montgomery and Rockbridge and the independent cities of Alexandria and Salem.

Protective Actions:

Local Emergency Declarations:

City of Alexandria – 26 June Botetourt County – 27 June

Alleghany County – 27 June, Rescinded as of 28 June

City of Salem – 27 June Fairfax County – 27 June

WEATHER FORECAST

Forecast:

Thursday 6 July - Partly cloudy with high temperatures in the mid 70's to low 80's. There is an increasing chance of thunderstorms this afternoon and evening in Southwest Virginia. A few of these storms may become strong to severe with the threat of large hail, damaging winds and localized heavy rain which may lead to minor flooding in a few locations where moderate to heavy rains fell over the holiday weekend. Flood Warning in effect for the Dan River at South Boston in Halifax County and the Meherrin River at Lawrenceville in Brunswick County. Chance of precipitation is 70%. Winds will be North at 5 to 15 mph and overnight lows will be in the low 50's to low 60's.

Friday 7 July - Mostly sunny with 20% chance of precipitation in Central and Eastern Virginia. High temperatures will range from upper 70's to mid 80's with low temperatures overnight in the mid 50's to low 60's. Winds will be North-Northeast at 5 to 10 mph.

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OPERATIONS SECTION

State Warning Point: Receiving Local Situation and Initial Damage Assessment Reports from

the localities.

Local Liaison: Regional Coordinators contacting localities to coordinate preliminary

damage assessment (PDA) team deployment.

EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH

ESF 8 – Public Health and

Medical Services

The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner has confirmed two stormrelated fatalities: one in Rockbridge County and the second in

Alleghany County.

ESF 9 - Search & Rescue: R

Rockbridge County requested search and rescue assistance on 30 June for a missing boater swept away by high water and strong currents on the James River. VDEM coordinated the response of several SAR teams to include dogs, ground searchers, man-trackers, and management personnel over three days. The search was scaled back to boat and dive team activities on Monday 3 July. On 4 July the boater was located deceased, by personnel from the Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries approximately 500 yards downstream of the point last seen.

INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT BRANCH

ESF 1 – Transportation: <u>Virginia Department of Transportation:</u> As of 1300 hours 6 July,

VDOT reported 1 Primary road and 15 secondary roads closed.

ESF 12 - Energy: Dominion Virginia Power (as of 1030 hours 6 July) reports 6,587

customers statewide without power due to severe storms that impacted the Commonwealth on 5 July and early morning on 6 July. Major areas affected are 2,643 in Gloucester/Northern Neck, 1,620 in Northern Virginia, 963 in Southside Virginia, 881 in Richmond Metro/Tri Cities and 473 in Southeastern Virginia; power restoration

is in progress.

Electric Co-ops (as of 1030 hours 6 July) report 1,323 customers statewide without power due to severe storms that impacted the Commonwealth on 5 July and early morning on 6 July. Southside Electric Co-op reports 1,000 customers without power and Rappahannock Electric Coop indicates 294 customers without power in King and Queen County.

RECOVERY SECTION (ESF 14)

Initial Damage Assessment Reports: *Includes VDOT estimates

Locality	Private	Public*	
Albemarle County	\$25,000	\$175,000	
Alexandria City	\$4,600,000	\$3,540,000	
Alleghany County	N/A	\$46,000	
Arlington County	\$6,000,000	\$6,970,000	

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Augusta County	\$500,000	N/A
Bath County	N/A	\$180,000
Bedford County	N/A	\$12,000
Botetourt County	\$342,065	\$313,900
Carroll County	N/A	\$15,000
Charlottesville City	\$100,000	N/A
Craig County	N/A	\$15,000
Dickenson County	\$25,000	\$168,000
Fairfax City	N/A	\$96,400
Fairfax County	\$4,015,485	\$2,920,000
Floyd County	N/A	\$145,000
Franklin County	N/A	\$30,000
Fredericksburg City	N/A	\$10,000
Galax City	\$25,000	\$53,000
Henry County	N/A	\$222,500
Herndon, Town of	\$8,000	\$4,000
Highland County	N/A	\$13,500
King George County	N/A	\$170,000
Loudoun County	N/A	\$110,000
Martinsville City	\$77,500	N/A
Montgomery County	\$20,000	N/A
Patrick County	N/A	\$105,000
Pittsylvania County	N/A	\$125,000
Prince William County	\$55,000	\$61,000
Roanoke County	N/A	\$68,370
Rockbridge County	\$18,000	\$155,000
Salem City	\$57,000	\$22,055
Vinton, Town of	N/A	\$1,500
Warren County	N/A	\$65,000
York County	\$170,200	\$1,000
Total	\$16,058,250	\$15,813,225*

*Includes VDOT estimates

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) damages assessed at \$6,094,900. This amount is not eligible for FEMA reimbursement.

Private/Non-profits, including Electric Cooperatives, have not reported damage assessments to date.

Joint federal/state/local preliminary damage assessment teams started in Northern Virginia Wednesday afternoon, 5 July 2006. Two separate teams will deploy to the lower Shenandoah and Roanoke valley areas Thursday and Friday, 6 and 7 July.

The Preliminary Damage Assessment activity schedule is listed below. Individual Assistance (IA), Public Assistance (PA).

Locality	Team	Date of PDA	Time of PDA
Alleghany	4 (PA)	7-Jul	1400 Hrs
Alexandria	1&2 (IA/PA)	6-Jul	1300 Hrs
Albemarle	4 (PA)	6-Jul	0830 Hrs
Arlington	1&2 (IA/PA)	7-Jul	0800 Hrs
Augusta	3 (IA)	6-Jul	0900 Hrs

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Bath	4 (PA)	7-Jul	1100 Hrs
Botetourt	4 (PA)	7-Jul	1700 Hrs
Botetourt	5 (IA)	6-Jul	1400 Hrs
Charlottesville/Albemarle	3 (IA)	6-Jul	1300 Hrs
Craig	6 (IA/PA)	7-Jul	0900 Hrs
Dickenson	6 (IA/PA)	7-Jul	1300 Hrs
Fairfax County	1&2 (IA/PA)	6-Jul	0800 Hrs
Floyd	6 (IA/PA)	6-Jul	0900 Hrs
Henry	6 (IA/PA)	6-Jul	1230 Hrs
Highland	4 (PA)	7-Jul	0900 Hrs
King George	2 (PA)	7-Jul	1300 Hrs
Martinsville	5 (IA)	7-Jul	0930 Hrs
Montgomery	5 (IA)	6-Jul	1100 Hrs
Patrick	6 (IA/PA)	6-Jul	1230 Hrs
Prince William	1 (IA)	7-Jul	1300 Hrs
Rockbridge	4 (PA)	6-Jul	1300 Hrs
Salem	5 (IA)	6-Jul	0830 Hrs
Warren	1 (IA)	7-Jul	1600 Hrs
York	3 (IA)	7-Jul	0900 Hrs

LOCAL ACTIVITIES:

Localities continue to assess damages and report losses to the VEOC and prepare for joint PDA activities.

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